

**IN THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT
IN AND FOR STORY COUNTY**

AMES MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC SYSTEM,

Petitioner,

v.

IOWA UTILITIES BOARD,

Respondent.

Case No. CVCV051775

**REQUEST FOR STATUS
CONFERENCE**

COMES NOW Kristin E. Olson, Assistant United States Attorney, on behalf of the United States of America and its agency, the United States Department of Agriculture, in the above-captioned action, and files this Request for Status Conference, and states the following:

1. On February 21, 2020, Ames Municipal Electric System (“AMES”) filed its Petition for Judicial Review.
2. On February 26, 2020, a Petition for Intervention was filed by the United States Department of Agriculture.
3. On February 26, 2020, this Court ordered that the United States Department of Agriculture was allowed to intervene in this action and was to be recognized as a respondent.
4. On February 28, 2020, the United States Department of Agriculture, filed a Notice of Filing Notice of Removal informing this Court that this action had been removed to the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Iowa (Civil No. 4:20-cv-00073).
5. On December 22, 2020, the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Iowa entered an Order remanding the case back to the Iowa District Court for Story County (Case No. CVCV051775). (S.D. Iowa Civil No. 4:20-cv-00073, Dkt. No. 30.)

6. On December 23, 2020, the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Iowa sent a letter to the Story County Clerk of Court, notifying this Court that the case had been remanded back to the Iowa District Court for Story County. (S.D. Iowa Civil No. 4:20-cv-00073, Dkt. No. 31.)

7. On February 3, 2021, Jacob Nelson filed a Motion to Intervene on behalf of Interstate Power and Light Company. His motion was granted on February 4, 2021.

8. On February 24, 2021, John Long and Jeff Cook filed a Motion to Intervene on behalf of the Office of Consumer Advocate. The motion is set for hearing on March 8, 2021.

9. The United States Department of Agriculture requests a status conference to discuss the status of this case, now that it has been remanded back to this Court.

WHEREFORE, the United States Department of Agriculture respectfully requests that the Court set a status conference in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that on March 1, 2021, I electronically filed the foregoing with the Iowa District Court, Story County Clerk of Court using the Electronic Document Management System, and a true copy of the foregoing was served either electronically or by U.S. First Class Mail upon the following:

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